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FROM ANOTHER CORRESPONDENT.

The warm weather which succeeded the heavy rains we had in the early part of the preceding month, has much improved the growth and appearance of the wheats, which stood well and look very promising. The spring corn and grass seeds recently sown are equally flourishing, and those crops which were top-dressed in the spring grow fast. In the fens, where the farmers have been much impeded by the rains, their spring sowing is finished, and the grain already above ground looks well.

Some winter tares on rich warm lands have been already cut, and in most situations are now nearly ready for the scythe. The young clovers are equally forward, and afford excellent keep for feeding sheep, ewes, and lambs.

The turnip fallows are generally in a state of great forwardness, and many acres are already sown with Swedish turnips; and those lands, both open and inclosed, which are to be fallowed for wheat, are every where broken up. The setting of potatoes has been this spring very general, and much land finished.

The meadows, although somewhat late, begin now to grow very fast; and the pastures in general afford a full bite to dairy and feeding stock, which have been for some time turned out. The late rapid improvement in the pastures and artificial grasses has caused a great demand for all kinds of live stock, which have considerably advanced in their value at the late fairs. Young fresh horses, both for the collar and saddle, were never at this season dearer or more in request. Sows and pigs, and small stores for the dairy, find a quick sale, being much wanted. The fat cattle market at St. Ives has been recently well supplied, and at reduced prices. The orchards in the inland and fen districts looked this spring beautiful, a fine blow, and very promising. The gardens are equally good, with a profusion of berry fruit.

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Beans	42	7		41	0
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